

# Evaluation of the effect of an explosive charge close to a steel structure plate

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# EXPLOSIVE CLOSE TO A METALLIC PLATE

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## EXPLOSIVE CLOSE TO A METALLIC PLATE : Introduction



**Explosive charge close to a plate**



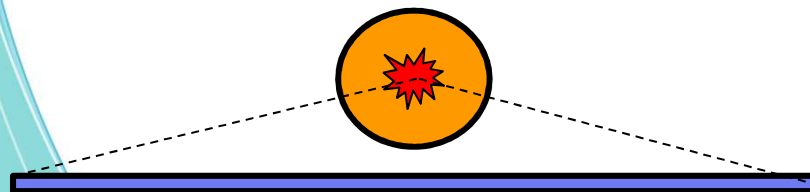
**A strong localised loading  
for the structure of a ship**





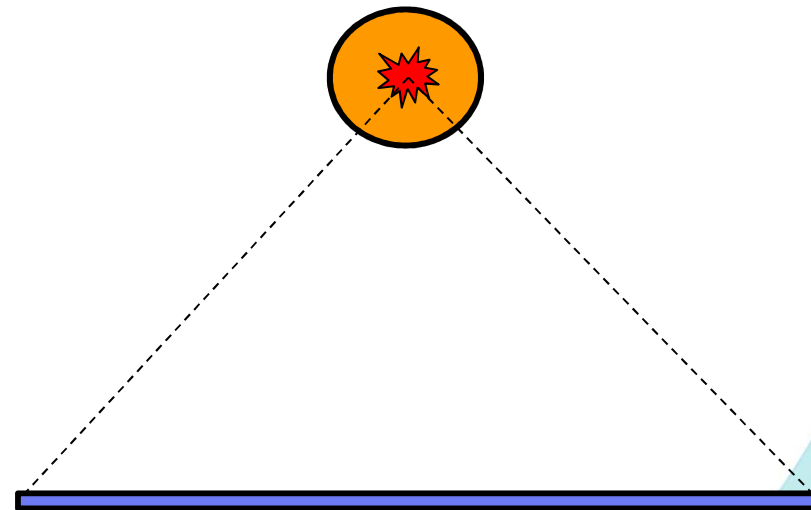
# EXPLOSIVE CLOSE TO A METALLIC PLATE : Introduction

## Short stand-off



**strong localized deformation  
of the plate**

## Long stand-off



**Smooth global deformation  
of the plate**

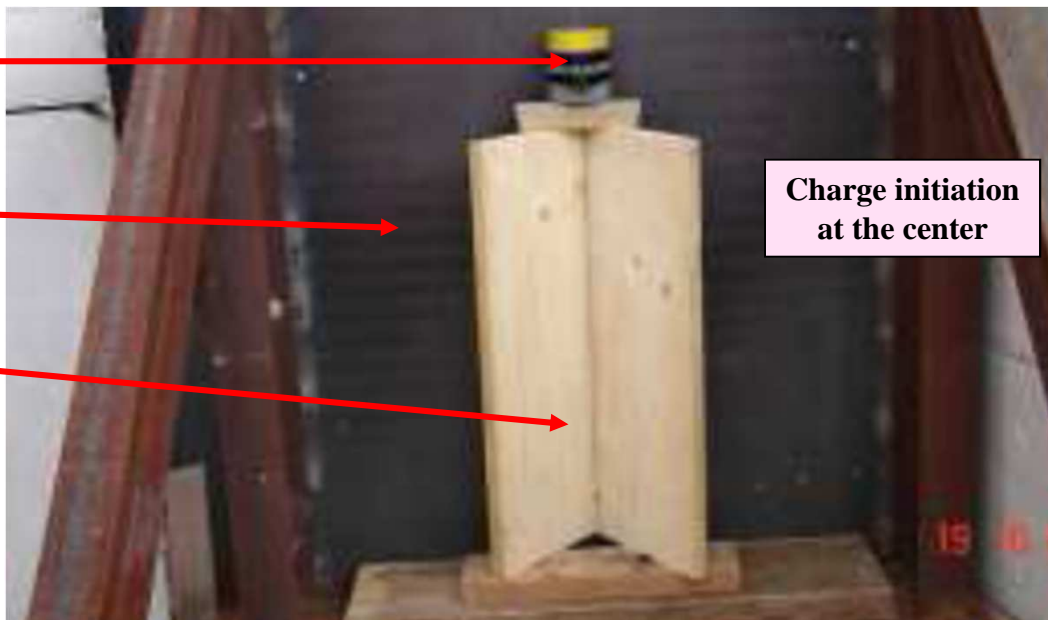
## EXPLOSIVE CLOSE TO A METALLIC PLATE : Experimental set up

Explosive charge

Vertical steel plate

Wood support

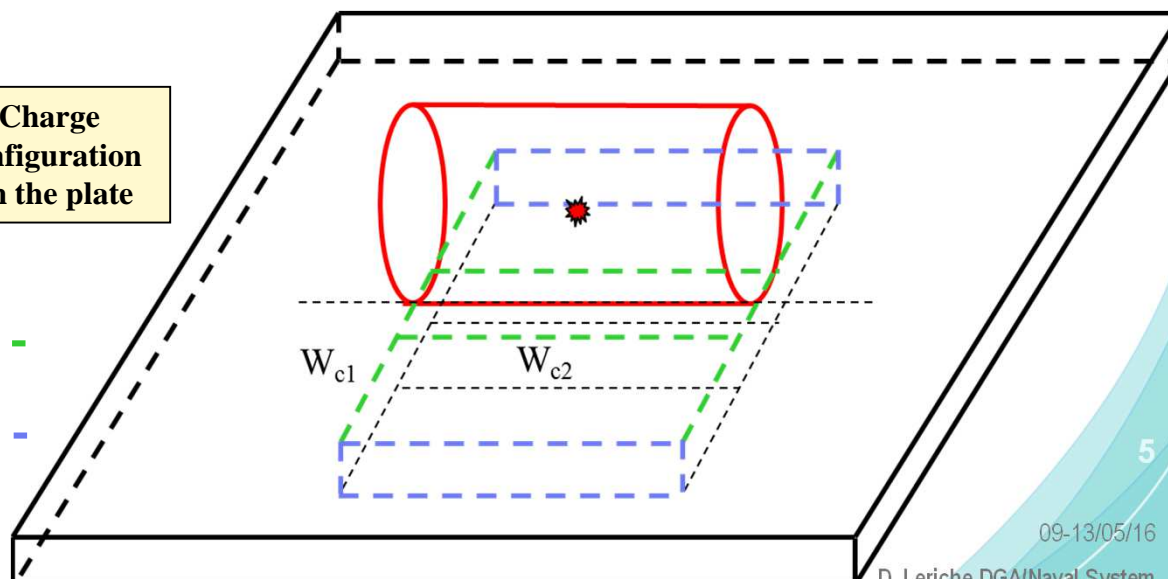
Charge initiation  
at the center



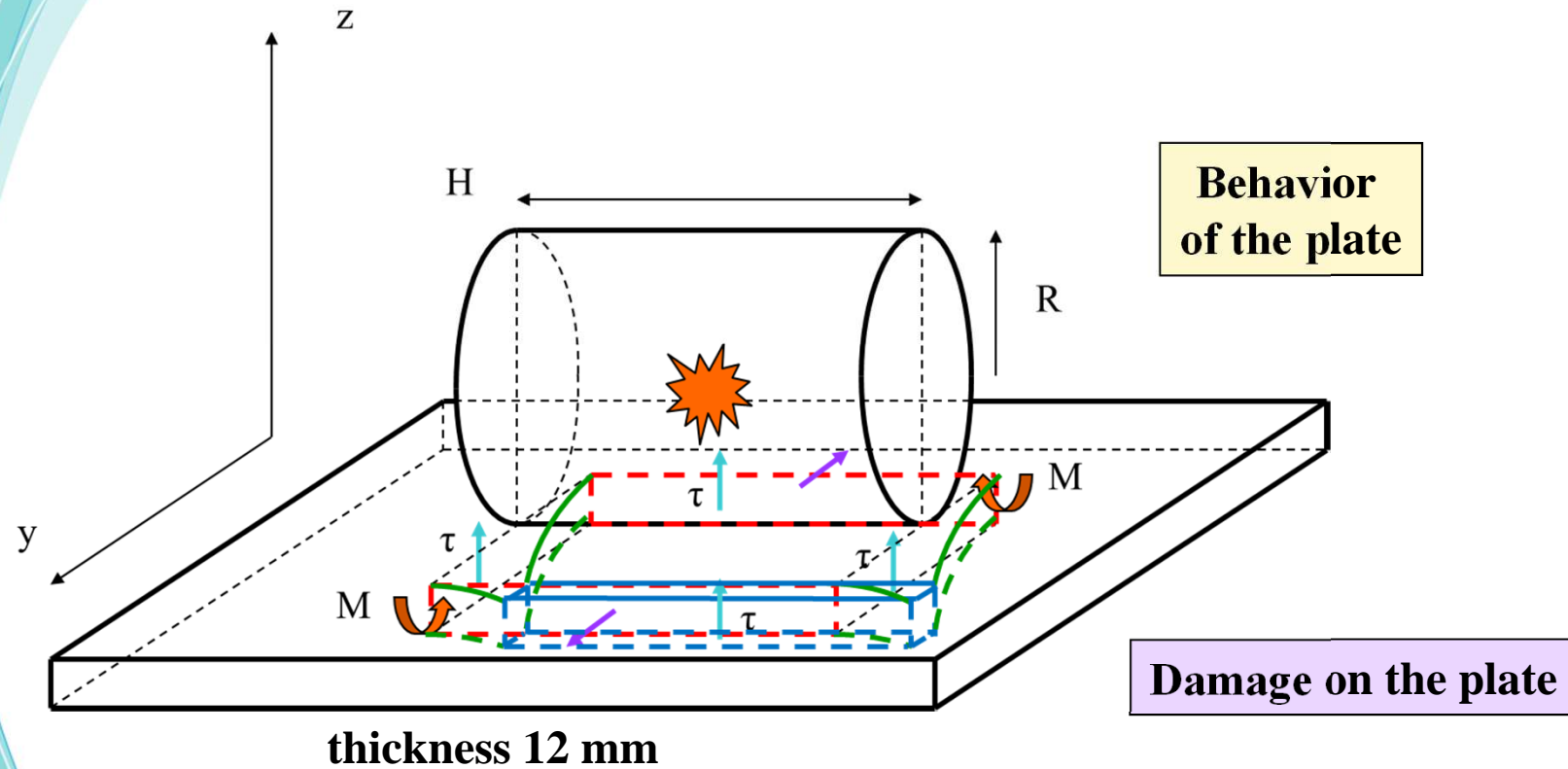
Charge  
configuration  
on the plate

Shear line

Plastic hinge



## EXPLOSIVE CLOSE TO A METALLIC PLATE : Experimental results



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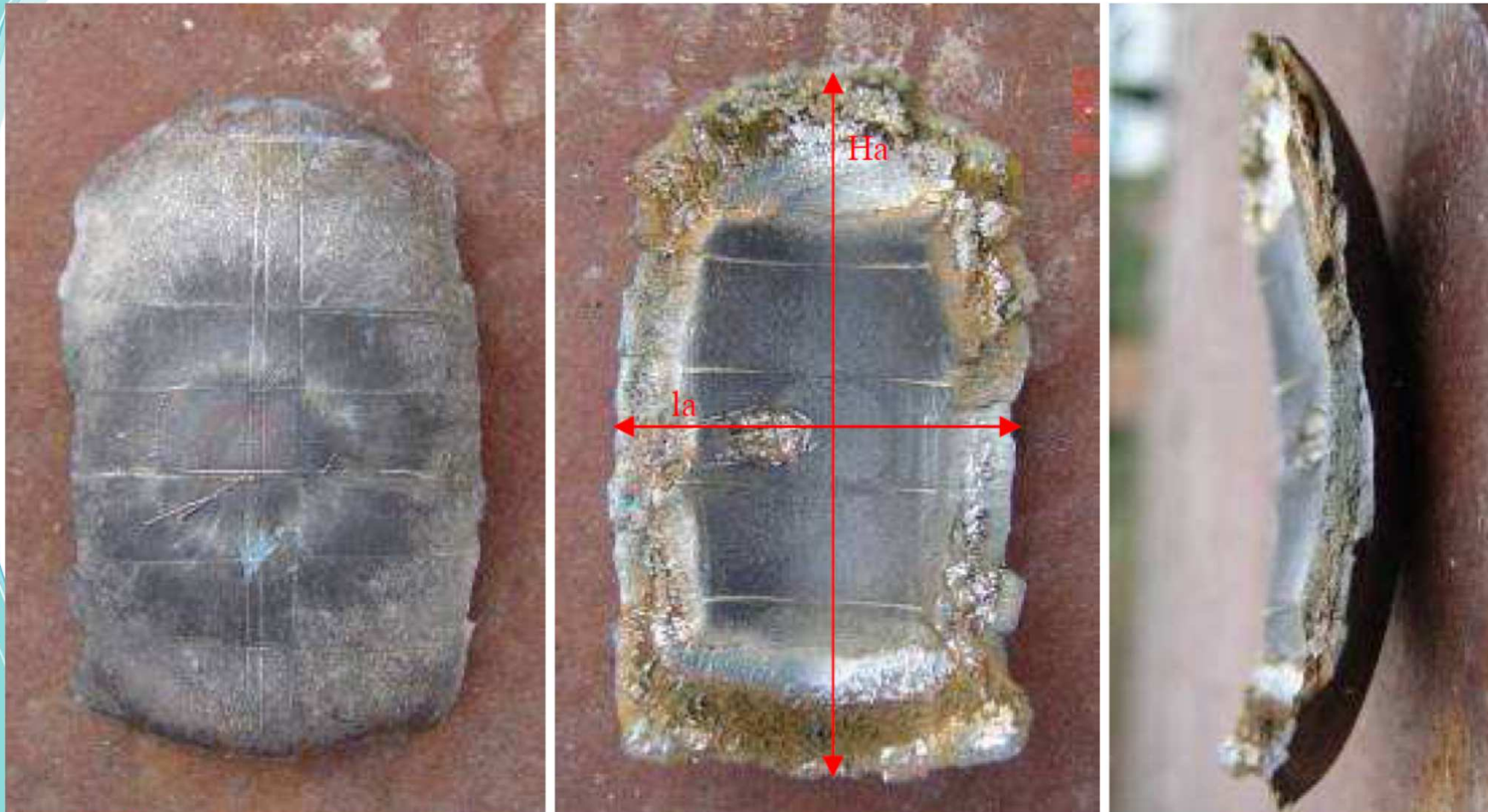


## EXPLOSIVE CLOSE TO A METALLIC PLATE : Experimental results

**Damage on the plate and ejected part**



## EXPLOSIVE CLOSE TO A METALLIC PLATE : Experimental results



Dimension of the ejected part



## EXPLOSIVE CLOSE TO A METALLIC PLATE : Deformation and petalisation

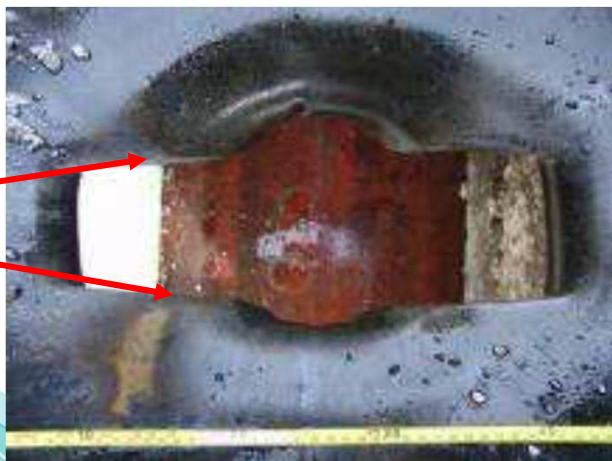
Energy  $E_m$  of the mechanical effects on the plate are:

- \*longitudinal shear energy  $W_{c1}$
- \*transversal shear energy  $W_{c2}$
- \*bending energy of both shaped petals  $W_b$
- \*kinetic energy of the main ejected part  $E_{cd}$



$W_b$

$W_{c1}$



$W_{c2}$

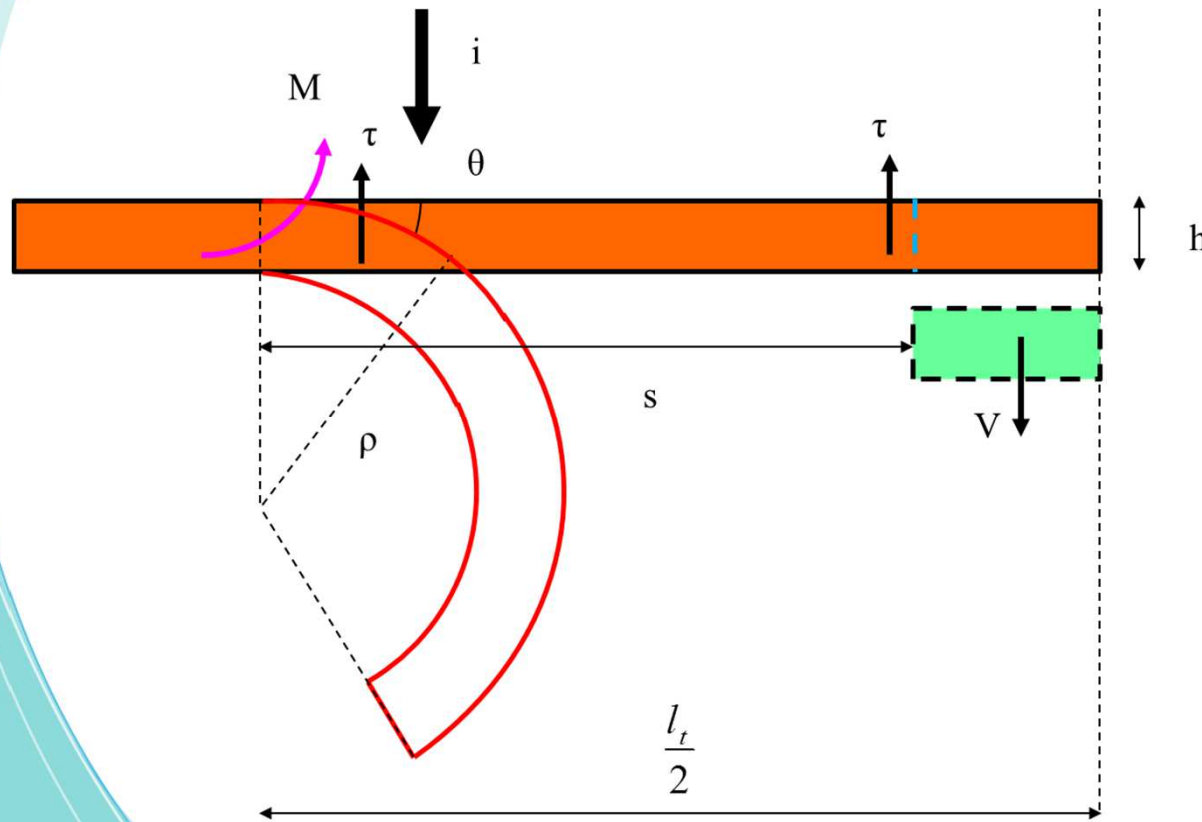


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# EXPLOSIVE CLOSE TO A METALLIC PLATE : Deformation and petaliation



Schema of the effects on the plate

Shear energy given by :

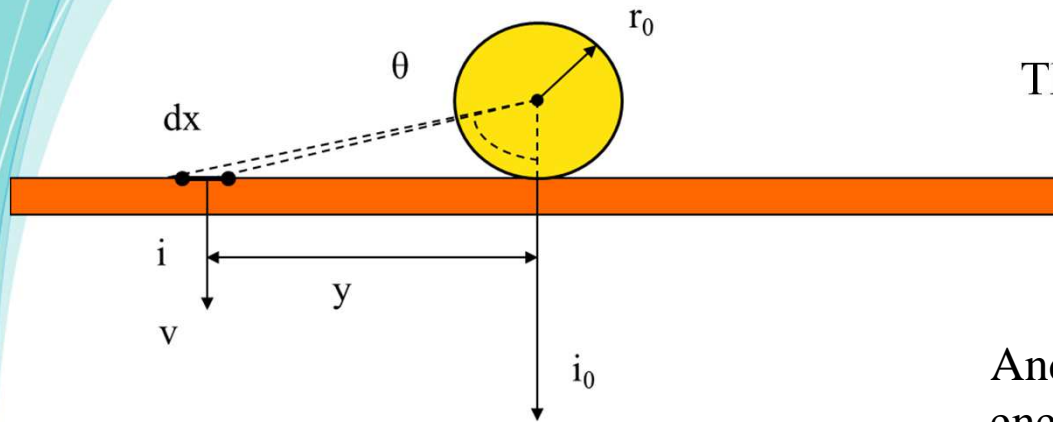
$$W_{c1} = \frac{\tau \cdot l_t \cdot h^2}{2}$$

$$W_{c2} = \frac{\tau \cdot H_a \cdot h^2}{2}$$

Bending energy given by :

$$W_b = \frac{\sigma_e \cdot s \cdot b \cdot h^2}{4 \cdot \rho}$$

## EXPLOSIVE CLOSE TO A METALLIC PLATE : Deformation and petaliation



The local specific impulse is given by

$$i = i_0 \cdot \cos^4 \theta$$

And we suppose that the specific kinetic energy is given by:

$$e = \frac{i^2}{2 \cdot \rho \cdot h}$$



The whole transmitted energy to the plate by the explosive is given by:

$$E_m = 2 \cdot \int_0^y \frac{i^2}{2 \cdot \rho \cdot h} \cdot dy = 2 \cdot W_b + 2 \cdot W_{c1} + 2 \cdot W_{c2} + E_{cd}$$

$E_{cd}$  is the kinetic energy of the ejected part.



## EXPLOSIVE CLOSE TO A METALLIC PLATE : Deformation and petalisation

From the equality of the energy, we have :

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$i_0$ (N.s/m <sup>2</sup> )	72516,7	65424

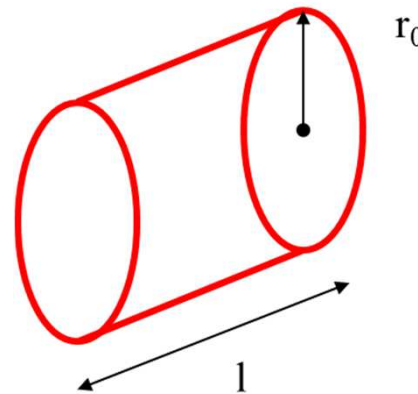
From the experimental results, we have also :

$$i_0 = \rho . h . V_1$$

$V_1$  is the local ejected part velocity

$\rho$  is the thickness of the plate

$h$  is the thickness of the plate



Explosif	Plastrite
W (kg)	1
l (m)	0,117
$r_0$ (m)	0,045

$$i_0 = 66000 \text{ N.s} / \text{m}^2$$

$$I = i_0 . S = 2602 \text{ N.s}$$

I total impulse of the explosive  
S surface of the explosive charge

$$I = \frac{8}{27} . W . D$$

Orlenko's relation

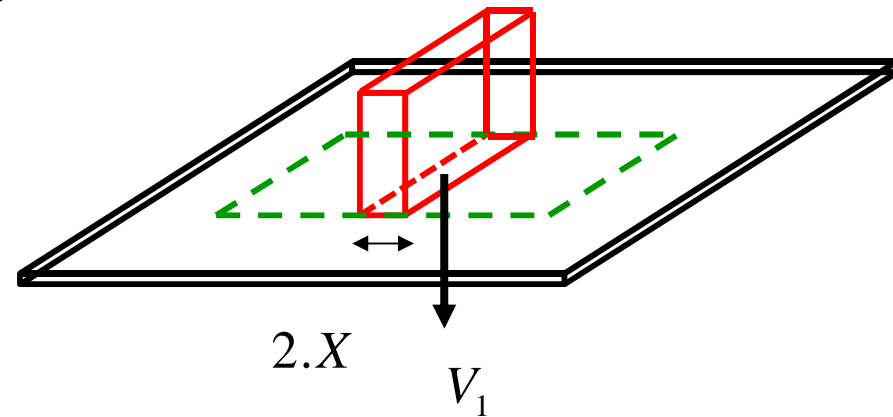
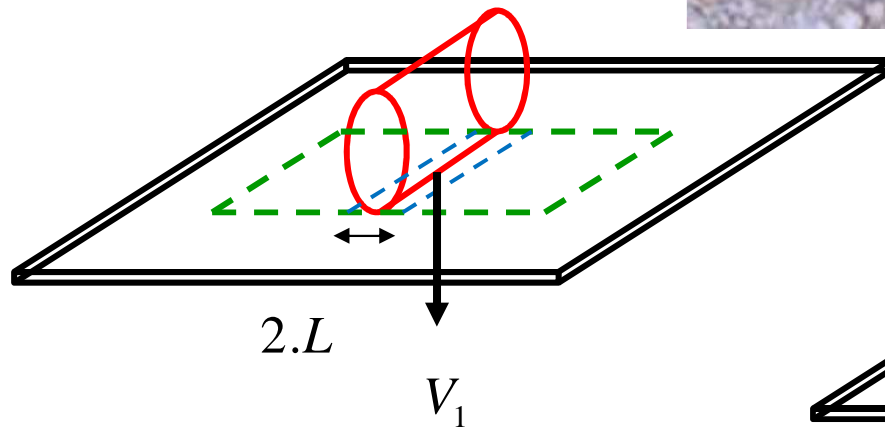
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## EXPLOSIVE CLOSE TO A METALLIC PLATE : Momentum balance

Equivalent impulse

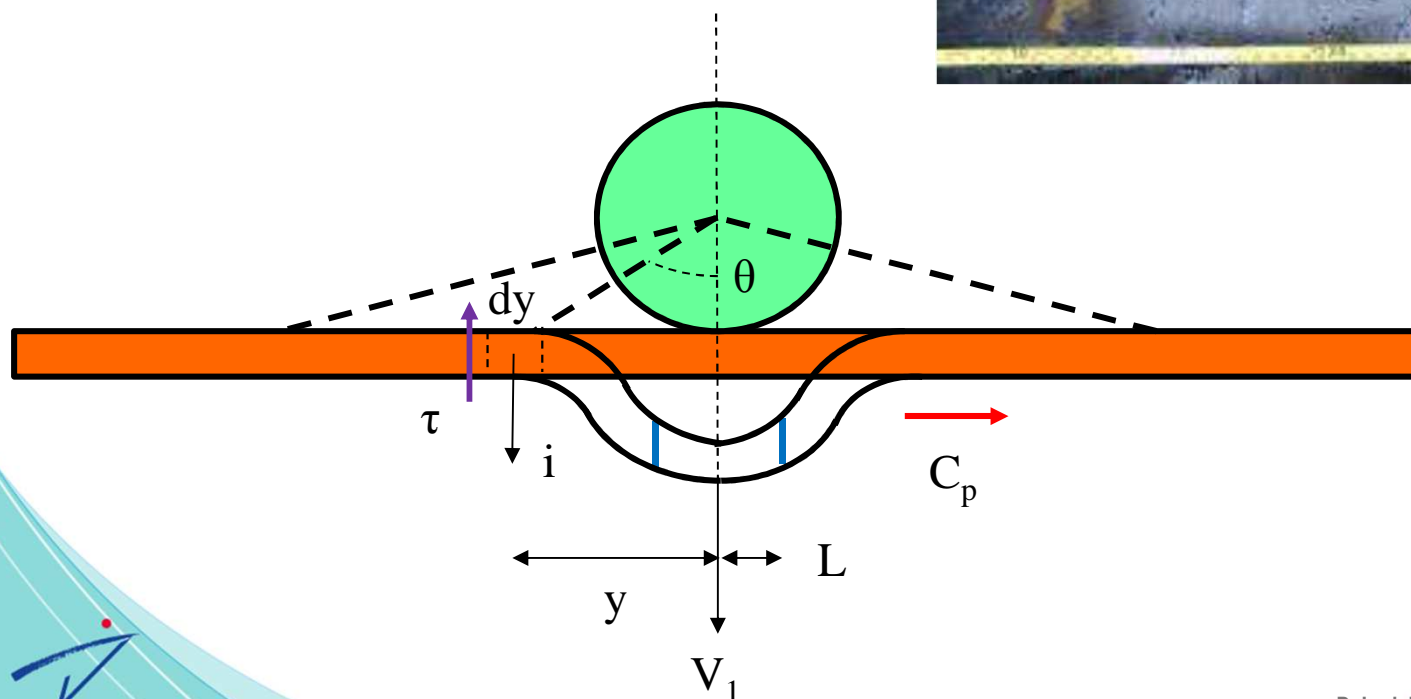


We can show :

$$X = 0,785 . r_0 \approx L$$

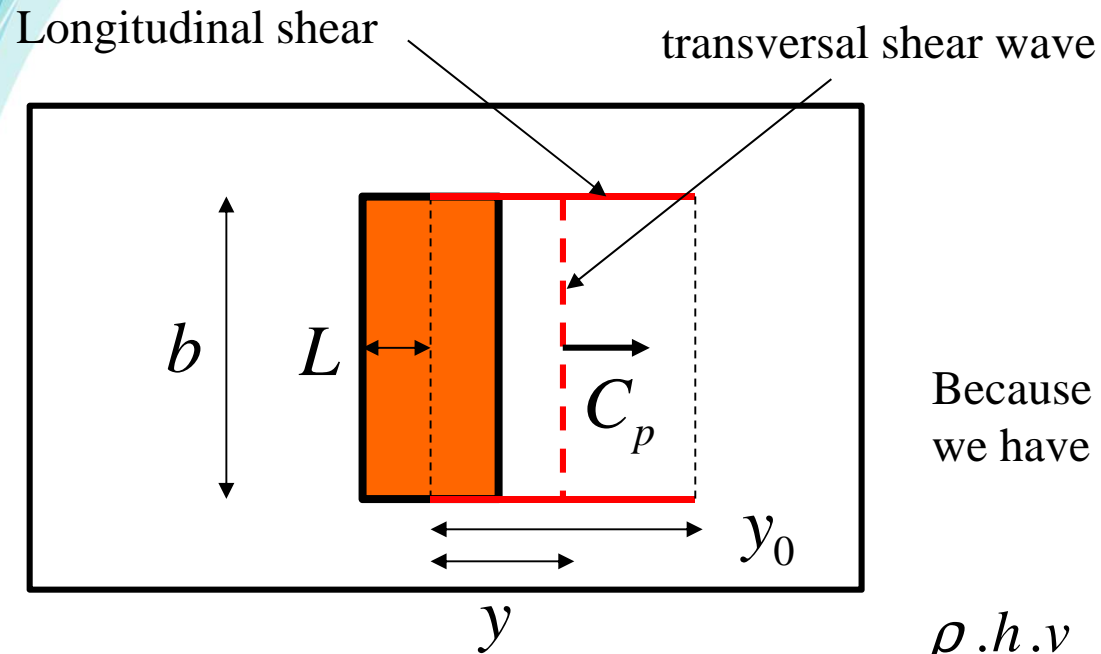
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Transversal shear wave displacement



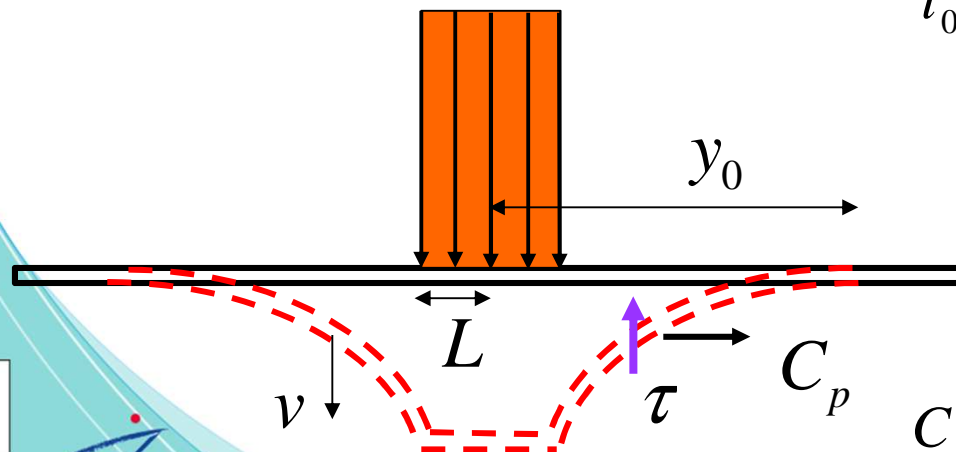


## EXPLOSIVE CLOSE TO A METALLIC PLATE : Momentum balance



Because the momentum conservation,  
we have :

$$\frac{\rho . h . v}{i_0} = \frac{1 + j . \left( 1 - \frac{y}{L} - \frac{y^2}{L . b} \right)}{\frac{y}{L}}$$



with :  $j = \frac{\tau . h}{i_0 . C_p}$

$$C_p \approx 500 \text{ m / s } - 600 \text{ m / s}$$

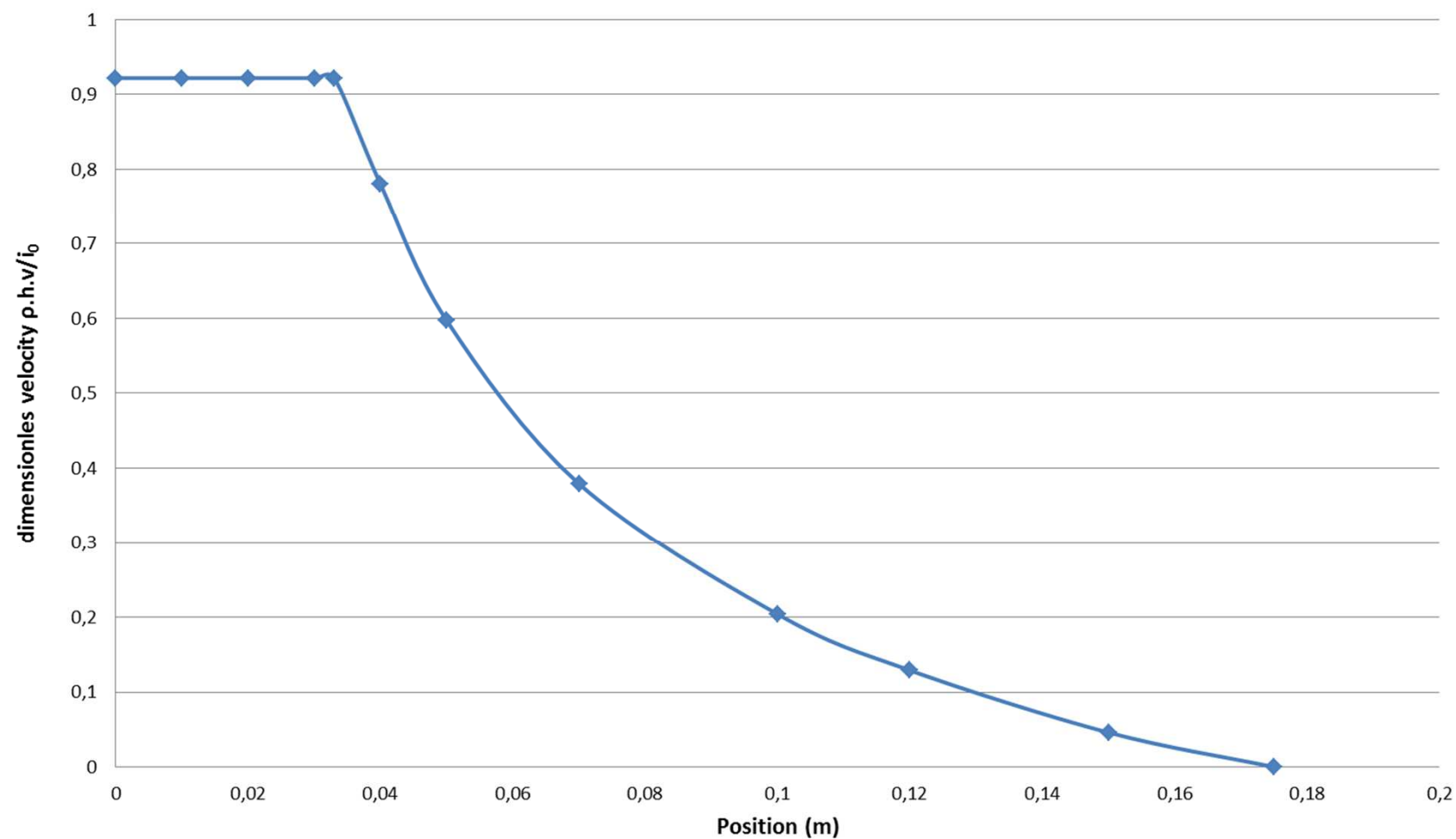
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## EXPLOSIVE CLOSE TO A METALLIC PLATE : Momentum balance

dimensionless velocity  $\rho \cdot h \cdot v / i_0$  versus the dimension of the region in movement



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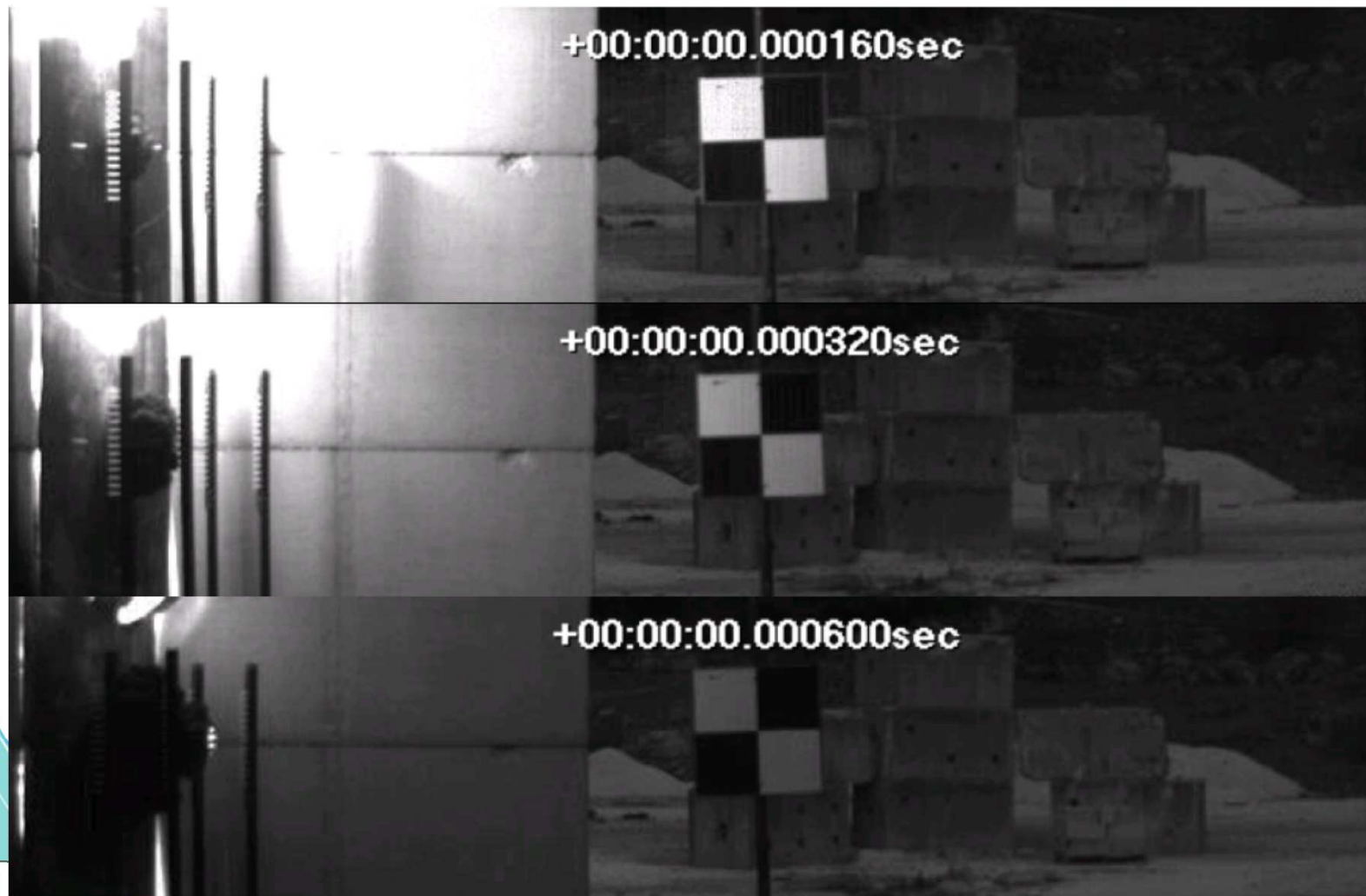
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## EXPLOSIVE CLOSE TO A METALLIC PLATE : Picture of the phenomenon



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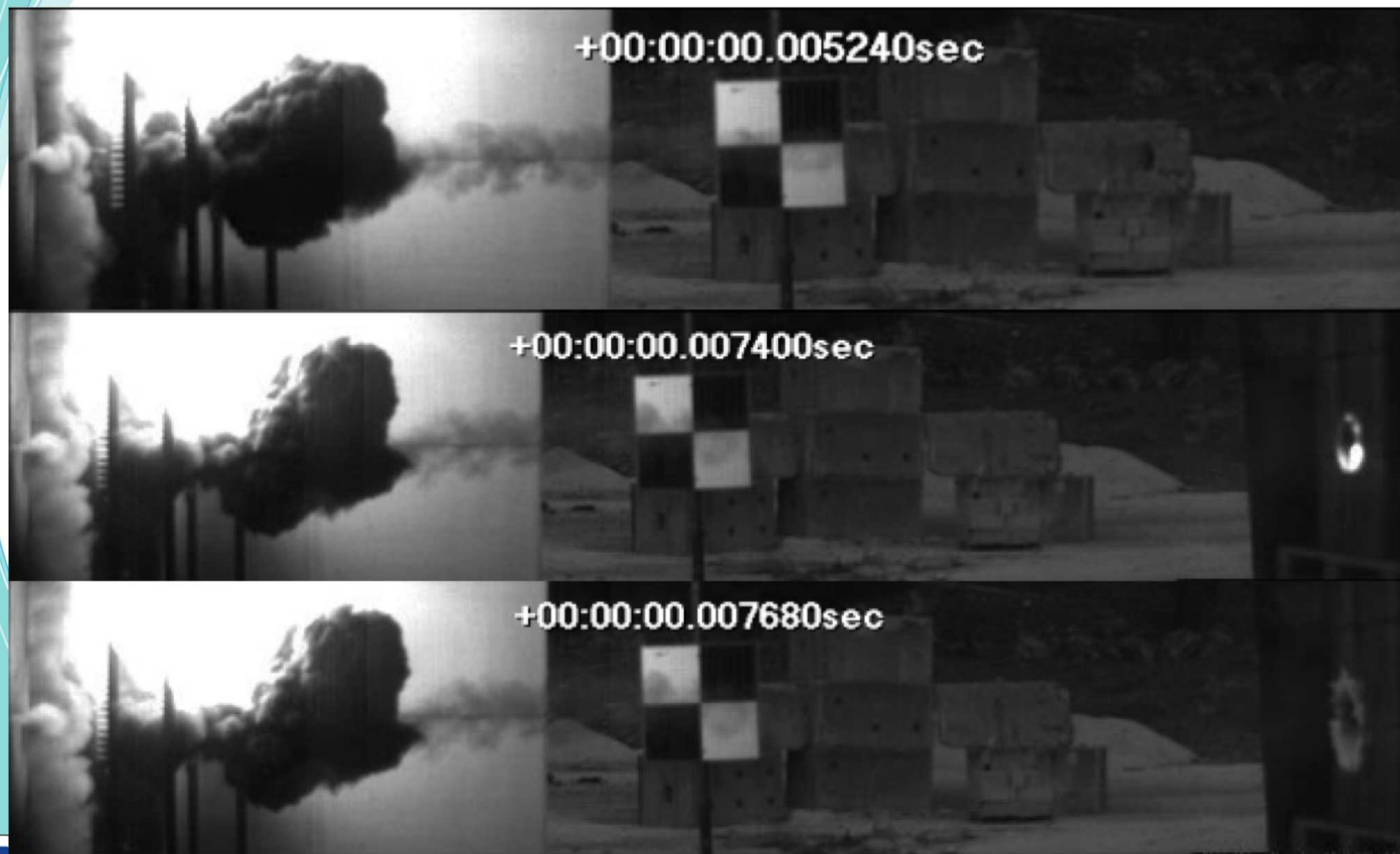
Ejection of the central part of the plate

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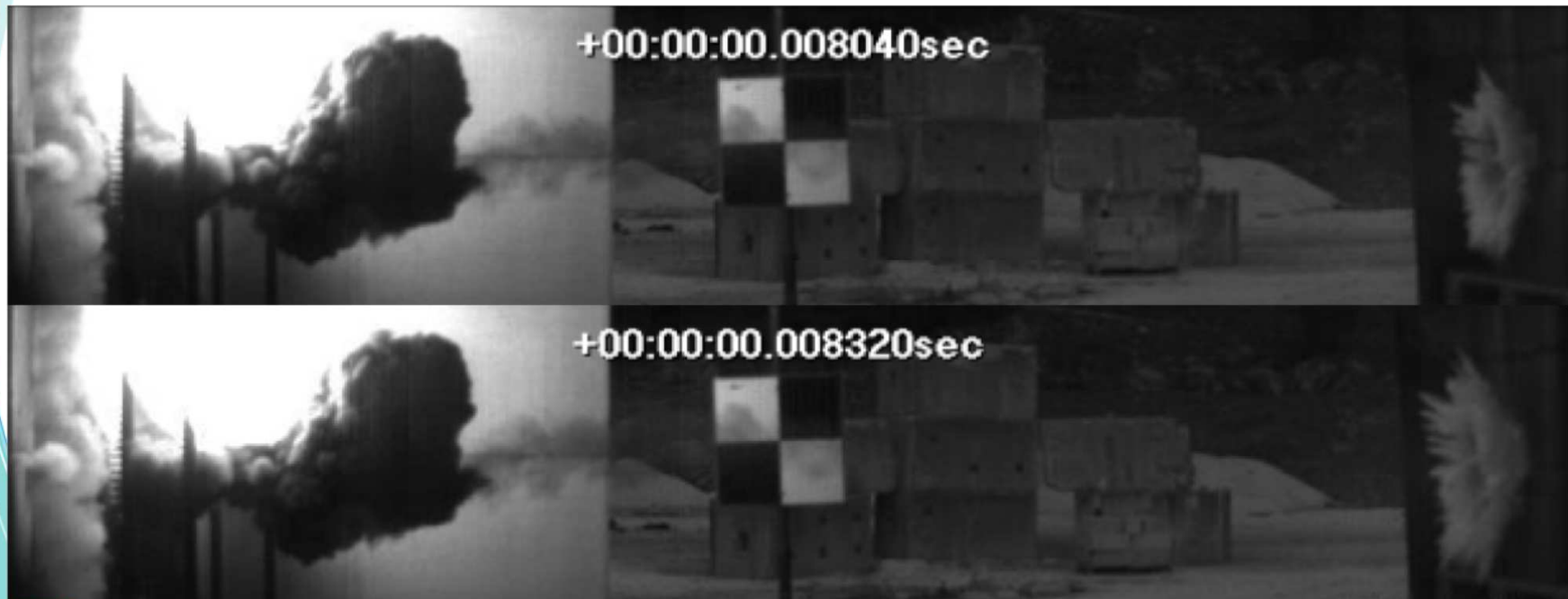


Beginning of the impact of the ejected part on the witness plate

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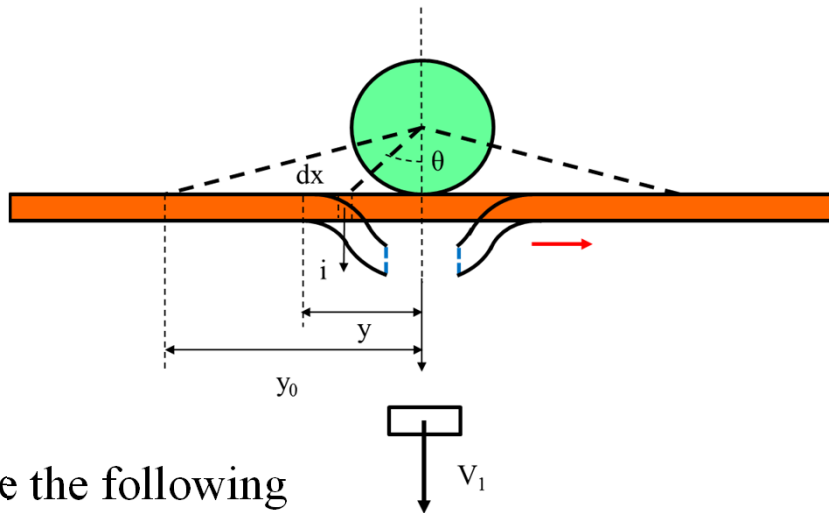
## EXPLOSIVE CLOSE TO A METALLIC PLATE : Picture of the phenomenon



End of the impact of the ejected part on the witness plate



## EXPLOSIVE CLOSE TO A METALLIC PLATE : Local ejected part velocity



We have the following relation:

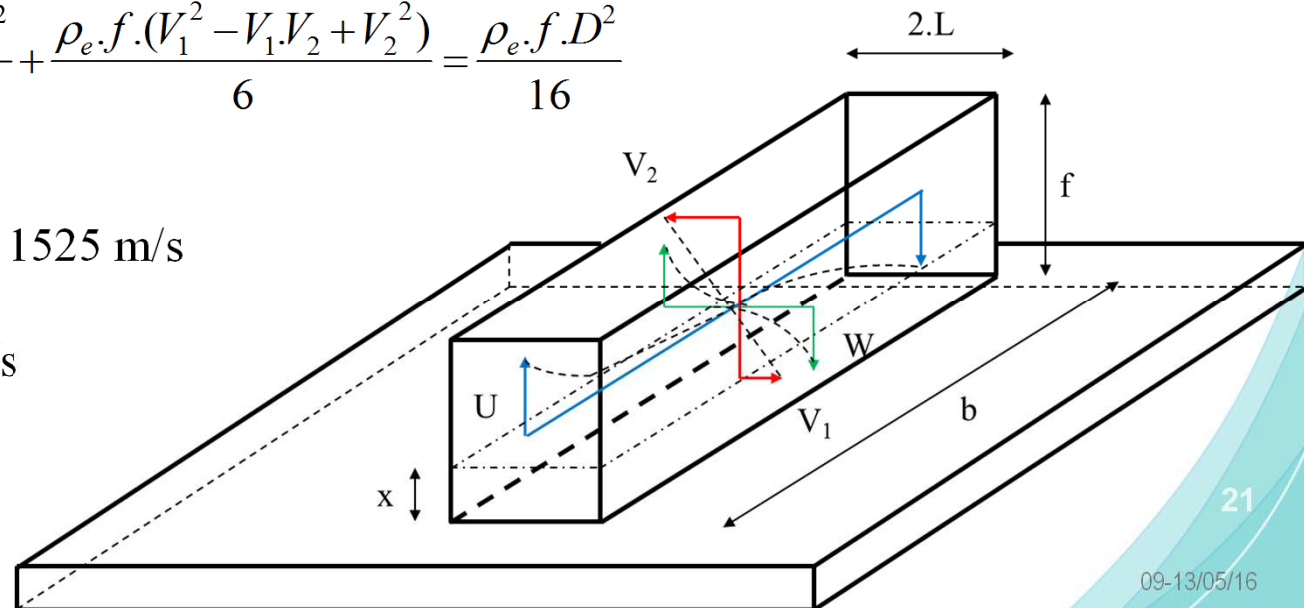
$$\frac{\rho_p \cdot h \cdot V_1^2}{2} + \frac{\rho_e \cdot f \cdot U^2}{10} + \frac{\rho_e \cdot f \cdot W^2}{10} + \frac{\rho_e \cdot f \cdot (V_1^2 - V_1 \cdot V_2 + V_2^2)}{6} = \frac{\rho_e \cdot f \cdot D^2}{16}$$

Finally we have  $V_2 = 1525$  m/s

and then  $V_1 = 641$  m/s

We use the Gurney's hypothesis with some modifications

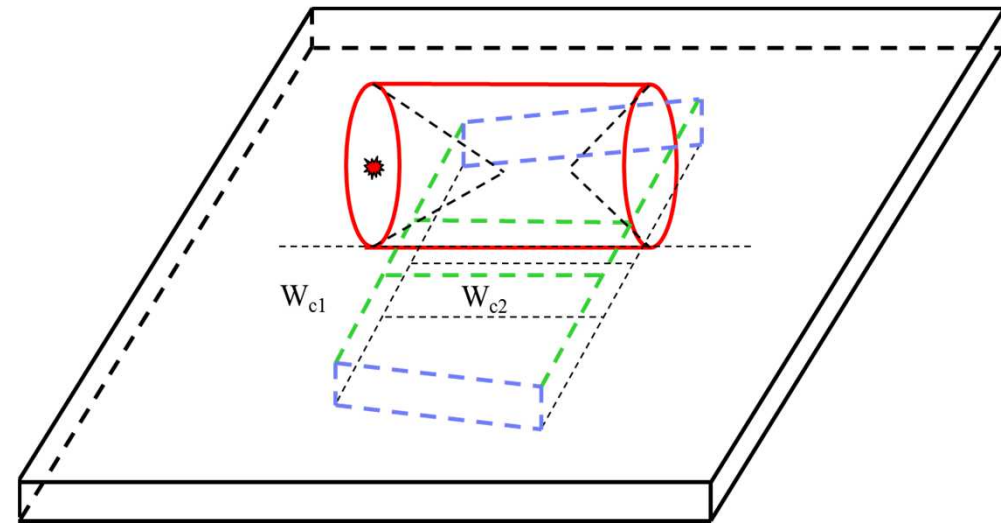
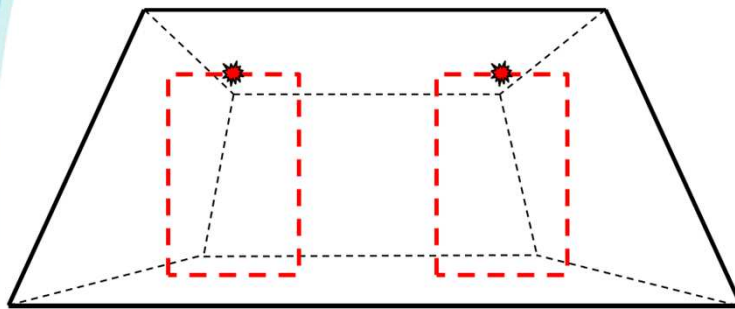
- \*momentum conservation
- \*energy conservation
- \*constant specific impulse for the free surface
- \*parabolic shape of the velocity field for the free surface



## EXPLOSIVE CLOSE TO A METALLIC PLATE : both close charges

--- Shear line

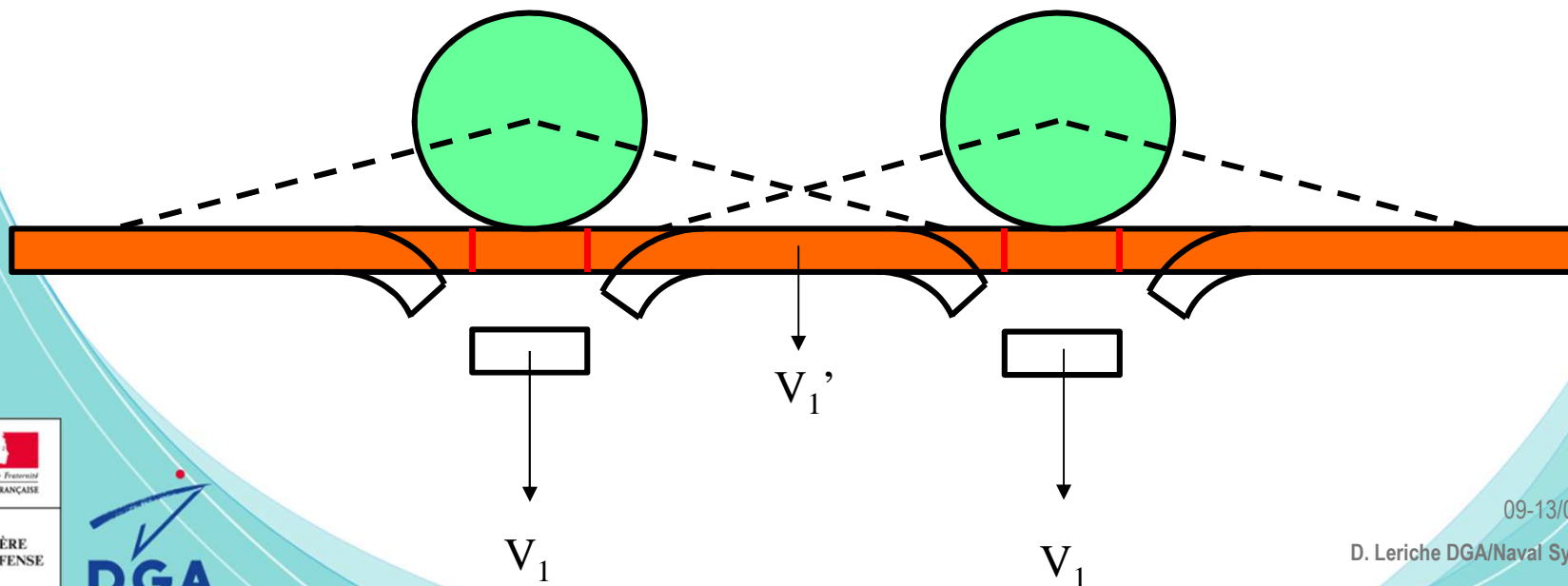
--- Plastic hinge



### Initiation



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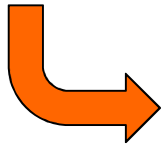




## EXPLOSIVE CLOSE TO A METALLIC PLATE : conclusion

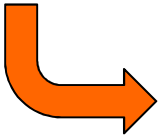
### Conclusion

\*Energy balance between the explosive and different mechanisms of deformation (shear, bending)



estimation of the specific energy of the explosive loading on the plate.

\*Assumption of the transverse displacement as a result of a shear wave moving with a constant velocity parallel to the surface of the plate



estimation of the velocity field of the plate following the loading impulse from the explosive.

\*From the Gurney's relation



determination of the local initial velocity of the plate.  
(calculated value 640 m/s, experimental value 700 m/s)